Assessment Summary

Beech Creek 0 to 3.9	
KY486697_01	
Mouth to Headwaters	
Muhlenberg County, Green River Basin	
HUC 05110003	
Assessment Date: 5/22/2013	



This part of the stream does not support aquatic life, does not support swimming (Primary Contact Recreation), does not support fishing/wading/boating (Secondary Contact Recreation).

Use	Cause of Impairment	Suspected Source(s) of Impairment	Basis for Listing	Data Collection and Analysis Methods 1,2,3
(4A NS)	Escherichia coli	Source Unknown	Concentrations exceeded the water quality standard	Pathogen Monitoring
(4A-NS)	рН	Surface Mining	Concentrations did not meet the water quality standard	Pathogen Monitoring
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(4A-NS)	Ammonia (Un- ionized)	Source Unknown	Concentrations exceeded the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring
(4A-NS)	Cadmium	Surface Mining	Concentrations exceeded the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring
(4A-NS)	Copper	Surface Mining	Concentrations exceeded the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring

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(4A-NS)	Iron	Surface Mining	Concentrations exceeded the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring
(4A-NS)	Nickel	Surface Mining	Concentrations exceeded the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring
(4A-NS)	Oxygen, Dissolved	Surface Mining	Concentrations did not meet the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring
(4A-NS)	рН	Surface Mining	Concentrations did not meet the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring
(4A-NS)	Specific Conductance	Surface Mining	Elevated dissolved substances are negatively affecting the aquatic community	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring
(4A-NS)	Zinc	Surface Mining	Concentrations exceeded the water quality standard	Biological Monitoring, Habitat Assessment, Physical/Chemical Monitoring

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